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1. DEPARTMENT WILL RECALL THAT GHANAIAN REPRESENTATIVES TOLD US AFTER THE TWENTY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY THAT THEY HAD GONE ALONG WITH THE FRIENDLY POSITION ON KOREA "FOR THE LAST TIME." WE GOT THE GHANAIAN VOTE ON THAT OCCASION BY ALMOST LITERALLY LEADING THE GHANAIAN REPRESENTATIVE TO THE VOTING FLOOR AFTER HE HAD SOUGHT REFUGE IN A LAVATORY DURING RECENT MONTHS, ALL SIGNS HAVE POINTED TOWARD GHANAIAN SUPPORT FOR NORTH KOREA AND OPPOSITION TO THE SOUTH. GHANA HAS NOW FORMALLY COSPONSORED THE HOSTILE RESOLUTION AND WE HAVE RELIABLE INFORMATION IT PLANS TO ABSTAIN ON THE FRIENDLY RESOLUTION.

2. NONETHELESS, WE HAVE IN MIND FURTHER REPRESENTATIONS TO THE GHANAIANS HERE. WE DO NOT EXPECT TO ALTER THEIR POSITION ON KOREA, ALTHOUGH WE HOPE TO HAVE SOME INTELLECTUAL IMPACT ON AMBASSADOR BOATEN, WHO IS INTELLIGENT AND CONFIDENTIAL

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HONEST. WE DO HOPE TO POSITION HIM TO "COMPENSATE" US

FOR GHANA'S POSITION ON KOREA BY HELPING ON SOME OTHER ISSUE.

3. FURTHER, SINCE HOSTILE RESOLUTION IS IN FACT AIMED AT U.S. AS MUCH AS AT ROK, WE RECOMMEND THAT THE DEPARTMENT REVIEW GHANA'S POSITION ON KOREA IN THE CONTEXT OF OUR BILATERAL RELATIONS. FROM NEW YORK, IT WOULD SEEM USEFUL TO WEIGH IN WITH THE GHANAIANS AT A HIGH LEVEL IN ACCRA, EMPHASIZING THE INCONSISTENCY OF GHANA'S POSITION ON KOREA WITH ITS MODERATE AND CONSTRUCTIVE ATTITUDE ON OTHER ISSUES.

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